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Pre Patent Application of

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Serial No.: 10/092,537

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For: IMPROVED BONE TENDON
BONE ASSEMBLY WITH
ALLOGRAFT BONE BLOCK
AND METHOD FOR INSERTING
SAME

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Sir:

ELECTION UNDER 35 USC 121

Responsive to the Office Action of October 3, 2003, applicant responds as follows:

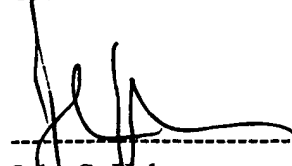
REMARKS

Applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's restriction requirement and election. However, for purposes of responding to this action and to obtain examination, Applicant provisionally elects the invention designated by the Examiner as Species 4 represented by Figures 5, 16 - 18. At least Claim 1 is generic to all of the species as is Claim 47. A listing of the claims readable on the provisionally elected species are claims 1, 2, 4-9, 11-21, 43-47, 49 - 53, 55, 56, 58, 64 and 65.

Prompt examination is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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